(c) Any society whose area of operation extends to more than one State and has its objects to serve the interest of members in more than one State may be registered as a multi-state cooperative society provided that such society fulfils the conditions laid down in the Multi-State Cooperative Societies Act, 1984 and Rules framed thereunder.

(d) Cooperative Society may, by an amendment of its byelaws, extend its jurisdiction and convert itself into a multi-state cooperative society provided that such amendment to byelaws of such cooperative society is registered by the Central Registrar after consulting the Registrar of Cooperative Societies of concerned State.

Statement

The State-wise number of Multi-States Cooperative Societies registered in the Country

S. No.	States		No. of Multi-State Cooperative Societies
1.	Andhra Pradesh	—	8
2.	Assam	—	1
3.	Gujarat	—	8*
4.	Haryana	—	6
5.	Karnataka	—	4*
6.	Rajasthan	—	5
7.	Maharashtra	—	63*
8.	Tamil Nadu	—	62
9.	West Bengal	—	30
10.	Punjab/U.T. of Chandigarh	—	9
11.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	—	1
12.	Uttar Pradesh	—	1
13.	Madhya Pradesh	—	1
14.	Bihar	—	1
15.	Delhi	—	31*
	TOTAL:		231

*Includes National Cooperative Socities also.

Krishi Vigyan Kendra in Karnataka

7415. SHRI K. R. JAYADEVAPPA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of Karnataka has requested the Central Government for establishing Krishi Vigyan Kendra at Chitradurga in Karnataka State; and

(b) if so, whether Government have taken any decision in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Govt. has constituted a Team for visiting the site in Chitradurga for giving its report to the Govt. to take a decision.

प्याज की पैदावार

7416. श्री गोविन्दराम मिरी: क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) देश में प्याज की वार्षिक पैदावार राज्यवार कितनी-कितनी है;

(ख) क्या सरकार ने देश में प्याज की पैदावार बढ़ाने के लिए कोई योजना तैयार की है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है?

कृषि मन्त्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री अरविंद नेताम): (क) वर्ष 1993-94 के दौरान प्याज के उत्पादन राज्यवार ब्यौरा संलग्न विवरण में दिया गया है।

(ख) तथा (ग) सब्जी के बीजों के उत्पादन और आपूर्ति की केन्द्रीय क्षेत्र की योजना के अंतर्गत मिनीकिट कार्यक्रम के माध्यम से भारत सरकार प्याज की उन्नत किस्मों के बीजों के उत्पादन और आपूर्ति को बढ़ावा दे रही है तथा उनका प्रचार-प्रसार कर रही है ताकि देश में प्याज के उत्पादन में वृद्धि की जा सके।

विवरण

1993-94 के दौरान देश में प्याज का राज्य-वार उत्पादन

(उत्पादन हजार मीटरी टन में)

राज्य	1993-94 के दौरान उत्पादन
1. आन्ध्र प्रदेश	415.1
2. असम	15.1
3. बिहार	149.2
4. गुजरात	605.3
5. हरियाणा	41.6
6. हिमाचल प्रदेश	7.5
7. कर्नाटक	445.0
8. मध्य प्रदेश	185.0
9. महाराष्ट्र	831.6
10. नागालैंड	नगण्य
11. उड़ीसा	305.4
12. पंजाब	10.3
13. राजस्थान	122.4
14. तमिलनाडु	217.0
15. त्रिपुरा	0.3
16. उत्तर प्रदेश	370.6
17. दिल्ली	0.9
18. पांडिचेरी	0.2

Financial Assistance to SCs and STs for Training in Aqua-Culture

7417. SHRI SANATAN BISI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether relaxations and financial assistance are being provided to the S.C. and S.T. candidates for getting training in Aqua-culture; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) and (b) (i) Under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes for development of freshwater aquaculture and development of brackishwater aquaculture, training is provided to fish farmers including SC and ST candidates. For freshwater aquaculture, trainees are paid stipend @ Rs. 25/- per day during the training period of 10-15 days and Rs. 40/- as lump-sum amount for to and fro fare for field trips/study tour. For training in brackishwater aquaculture, they are paid stipend @ Rs.25/- per day for a maximum period of 2 months. In addition, the trainees are also paid Rs.140/- as lump-sum amount for their field trips. ST aquaculturists get subsidy at double the normal rate for developing of culture ponds and other activities under the Fish Farmers Development Agencies.

(ii) Under the Central Sector Scheme on "Fisheries Training and Extension" trainees are paid stipend @ Rs. 50/- per day subject to a maximum of Rs. 750/- per participant. In addition, they are also paid to and fro fare for attending the training course.

Difference in Income from Paddy Cultivation and Shrimps

7418. SHRI SANATAN BISI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any assessment has been made regarding the differences in income from paddy cultivation and shrimps in per acre area of land; and

(b) if so, the amount of difference thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) and (b) No comparative study has been made regarding income from paddy cultivation and shrimp production. However, as per the information provided by the Marine Products Export Development Authority, the per hectare net profit from extensive shrimp farming comes to Rs. 60,000/- per annum at the end of first year and Rs. 93,000/- at end of 7th year after annual repayments of loan and interest thereon but before charging depre-